

## ***FWP COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET***

**Meeting Date:** June 14, 2012

**Agenda Item:** 2012 Mountain Lion Quotas

**Division:** Wildlife

**Action Needed:** Final Rule

**Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation:** 20 minutes

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### **Background**

Proposed harvest quotas for mountain lion are based on research, surveys, harvest/mortality and/or public comment. Hunting districts listed below have proposed changes from 2011 quotas and subquotas. For details of proposed changes see Commission Master List for the June meeting. All other quotas/subquotas not listed are proposed to be unchanged from 2011 levels. Quotas apply to “any legal lion” unless otherwise noted and as influenced by female subquotas.

#### Region 1

HDs 101, 102, 103, 104, 109, 110, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 130, 132, 140, 141, 150 & 151

#### Region 2

HDs 200/201, 202/203, 204/260/261, 240, 250, 270, 280/281/284/293 & portion of 298, 283/285, 290/291/292/293 & portion of 298, 210, 211/216, 212/215, 213 & 214

#### Region 3

HDs 300/302/328 & 329, 301, 310/311/360/361/362, 312/393, 313/316, 314, 317, 318/335, 319/341, 320/333, 322/326 & 330, 323/324/325 & 327, 331, 339/343/388, 350/370, 390 & 391

#### Region 4

HDs 416/ 446/449/452 & 454, 413/432, 405/447 & 471

In the context of public comment and additional consideration of biological information, proposed quotas were modified in HDs 210, 211, 212, 215, and 216. Overall among those HD's, the combined female quota would be reduced from 6 to 3 and the combined male quota would be increased from 16 to 20.

### **Public Involvement Process & Results**

The formal public comment period ran through 5 p.m. Monday, May 21. Comments expressed both support and opposition to the proposed quotas and were forwarded to the commission and staff.

### **Agency Recommendation & Rationale**

FWP recommends approval of proposed quota adjustments as well as the no-change proposals in other hunting districts. Supporting rationale includes mountain lion population management accommodating human tolerance, safety, prey populations and hunter opportunity.

### **Proposed Motion**

I move to adopt the final 2012 mountain lion quotas/subquotas as presented by FWP.